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## ENDING THE CONTROVERSY

By John Barton

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When Jacob Stansell became a widower, there were those who predicted that he would ask for the hand of the Widow Tracy. Not only did they farm him, but they had known each other from childhood, and even after both had married they had always spoken of each other as Jake and Mary. No one was surprised when, after a year or so, it was announced that the line fences between the farms would soon be thrown down and all the land become Stansell property. Then incidents began to happen. Jacob's sister came from Illinois to pay him a visit, and the lawyer in the village cast covetous eyes on the widow and her lands.

It was inevitable that with an old maid on one side and a lawyer on the other trouble should come. The sister didn't want the brother to marry again, and the lawyer didn't want the widow to wreck her happiness, and so it came about that within four weeks the marriage was off. They couldn't even be neighbors after the lawyer and the sister got fairly to work.

The lawyer stood on what he called the legal aspects of the case—that is, he called Jacob Stansell a designing scoundrel who had no other end in view than securing the widow's property. The old maid sister didn't care for legal aspects, but she wasn't going to let Jake marry a woman whose extravagance would land him in the poorhouse.

There had always been a question as to the location of one of the line fences. In a good natured way the Stansells had contended that the fence was over on their land by three inches. The matter had rested there for fifteen years, but the lawyer and the sister dug it up. Surveyors were engaged, lines run and the difference of an inch was disputed over until it ended in a lawsuit.

It was while the last survey was being made that Stansell met with a great loss. He had sold off twenty head of cattle to a drover and received the cash in hand, and at the end of the day had found his wallet missing. When it was hunted for in vain, the lawyer charged Jacob with lying about his loss, and the sister charged the lawyer with having found it and converted the money to his own use. Of course an action at law followed this accusation, and one day Jake and Mary awoke to the fact that they had five or six suits on hand against each other, to say nothing of two or three extra ones brought by the lawyer and the sister to keep things from getting



"JAKE, JAKE, WHY DID YOU SHOOT ME?"

WALKED THE WIDOW. The principals were both glad to drop the quarrel and ask each other what it was all about, but they were not permitted to. It had to go on. There had been more trouble over the line fences than anything else. A farmer's head are not only given to his deriding where they please without reference to line fences, but they refuse to enter into family quarrels or look at the legal side of the question. When Miss Stansell began throwing hot water at the chickens, which came about the kitchen door in a neighborhood, the Tracy hired man began shooting the Stansell chickens, which scratched up the flower beds in the front yard. Such was the industry on both sides that in a few months only a few stragglers were left. When a man or woman feels that his or her pride or dignity and legal rights are at stake, it is hard to give in and take a sensible view of things.

It was the widow who finally paved the way to peace, but in so doing she aroused all of Jake's defiance and came near losing her life. She was not only alone without her chickens, but she was tired of buying eggs from her neighbors. Therefore, after the lapse of a few months, she purchased a dozen hens and gave the sister opportunity to say:

"Jake, you see how it is. That woman defies you. She has bought more chickens to trespass on our land, and kill 'em out get out the shotgun and 'kiss 'em off you haven't the backbone of a fishwife."

"Oh, I'll kill 'em off fast enough," he replied as he began hunting for powder and shot. "Just let one of her chickens cross the line, and he's a dead bird."

And yet Jacob Stansell felt mean as he shouldered the loaded gun and went out to crowd around in hopes to get a shot at one of the widow's chickens. The whole quarrel was a mistake. It was only that Mary seemed to be defying him that led him from throwing his gun into the current bushes.

He reached the disputed line fence, willing to give up a foot of ground if necessary, but next minute he saw a chicken which drove away all good intentions. The widow's new flock of hens, led by a sage looking old rooster, were trespassing on his land. He lowered the gun and aimed to kill them all at once, and when he fired the air was full of feathers, the old rooster jumped

sign and fell dead, and there was a scream from a woman in fright and pain. The Widow Tracy had come out to look for her chickens, and a bush had hidden her from Jacob's sight. He rushed forward to stumble over his lost wallet as a first discovery and to find Mary lying on the ground as a second, and between the two he was so overcome that he had to lean up against the fence.

"Jake, Jake, why did you shoot me?" wailed the widow as she tried to sit up and fell back.

"God forgive me, Mary, but I didn't see you!"

"You've killed me, but I don't want them to hang you for it. I don't believe you meant to do it."

"You shan't die. If you do, I'll shoot myself. Here, let me carry you into the house and send for a doctor. The gun was only loaded with bird shot, and maybe you won't die."

She didn't. In fact, she didn't come anywhere near it, though a doctor was busy all the rest of the day picking out the little pellets of lead. When the last one had been extracted and Jake had been told that she would continue to live, he asked:

"Mary, where's the lawyer?"

"Why, I sent him about his business three weeks ago," she answered. "Oh, Jake, the lawyer and your sister and the chickens and the line fence have—"

"Have made fools of us!" he finished.

Ten minutes later he appeared at his own door to say to his sister:

"Hanner, can you pack your duds in about fifteen minutes?"

"For why?" she asked.

"Because I'm going to drive you to town to catch the train, and after I've mopped that lawyer all over Grafton I'm coming back to ask Mary if she won't be well enough to get married in a month!"

Bidding it up. When Schomberg Kerr, the devoted English missionary, was in India, he very much wanted a pony. But that was the need of all the other English who were not old residents. Lord Ripon and his staff had arrived, and the general cry was:

"Where are we to get ponies?"

"Oh, that's easily done," said an Englishman who knew the ropes. "Next Saturday there's to be an auction sale of thirty of the best ponies in India. Till then you can ride them and try them."

Schomberg Kerr tried several and eventually fixed a covetous eye on two, Tommy and Bill, which he determined to buy.

Saturday came, and the auction was well attended. In due course of time Tommy was put up, and the missionary bid 200 rupees.

"Two hundred and fifty," said the auctioneer.

"Two hundred and seventy-five," said the missionary.

"Three hundred!"

These were extravagant prices, but the bidding went on amid great excitement. The missionary reached 500 rupees, which he had resolved should be his limit, and Tommy was knocked down at 525.

"Who is the buyer?" asked Kerr.

"The Marquis of Ripon," said the auctioneer. "His excellency had ordered Tommy to be bought for you at any price."—Youth's Companion.

Merciful Escapes.

Punch publishes these "merciful escapes." In a recent account of election proceedings in which a candidate was pelted with dirt, mud and thrown in the face of his wife, and his daughter struck with a stick, a daily paper remarked that "the police had difficulty in preventing a breach of the peace."

A correspondent sends a brief account of various other episodes, in each of which by an equally narrow margin a contretemps was similarly avoided:

"The extensive premises of Messrs. Blank & Co., oil and tallow merchants, were completely gutted by fire last night, all five stories being ablaze at once. It needed all the efforts of the local brigade to forestall what promised to be a conflagration."

"A motor car, proceeding along the High Street the other evening, took fright. It is supposed, at a constable on duty and exploded, blowing the occupants in various directions over the adjoining buildings. The policeman is to be congratulated upon averting what might have been a serious accident."

The French Academy.

The French Academy is one of the five academies and the most eminent constituting the Institute of France. It was founded in 1635 by Cardinal Richelieu and reorganized in 1816. It is composed of forty members, the new member elected by the remaining thirty-nine members for life after personal application and the submission of their nomination to the head of the state. It meets twice weekly at the palace Mazarin, 23 Quai Conti, Paris, and is the highest authority on everything pertaining to the niceties of the French language—to grammar, rhetoric and poetry and the publication of the French classics. The chief officer is the secretary, who has a life tenure of his position. A chair in the academy is the highest ambition of most literary Frenchmen.

Nature Took a Hand.

Don Boucoulet, playwright and actor, was once playing a piece called "The Vampire" at a London theater. The opening scene represented the highest regions of the Alps by moonlight. A thunderstorm raged in the distance, the thunder, of course, being produced in the usual manner by the property man with a "thunder sheet."

The vampire, Mr. Boucoulet, was seen lying on the highest mountain peak, dead to all appearance, but as a ray of the moon touched his body he came to life.

One night after the moon had brought him to life and when he was in the middle of his first speech Mr. Boucoulet was suddenly interrupted by a tremendous clap of thunder. Lowering his voice so that it could be heard only by the property man, he said indignantly:

"Very well, Mr. Davids, you are making more mistakes. That clap of thunder came in the wrong place."

In stentorian tones, which could be heard all over the auditorium, Mr. Davids replied:

"No fault of mine, sir. It wasn't my thunder. The real one, out of doors. Perhaps you can stop it there, sir."

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E. S. MOSER, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1903.

LAST week the bill providing for the free importation of coal was passed by the Senate and House of Representatives and was promptly signed by President Roosevelt. Right!

It is not too late to very cordially congratulate Charles Johnson, of Norristown, upon his re-election as Resident Clerk of the House of Representatives at Harrisburg, and to wish him continued success as an efficient public servant.

UNITED STATES SENATOR BOIES PENROSE was re-elected, Tuesday, by the House and Senate at Harrisburg, to succeed himself for a term of six years by a vote of 193 to 53 for Colonel James M. Guffey, Democrat, of Pittsburg.

RECENT, though indirect, experience with individual coal operators fully warrants the observation that they are fully capable of outgunning the worst of the big corporations on earth, when they get a chance to take advantage of suffering consumers.

NEW YORK has lost a noble citizen in the death of Abram S. Hewitt, an ex-Mayor, and for many years a representative in Congress. He was 81 years of age, and during his long life he devoted much time in serving the very best interests of his State and of the country at large.

THE Republicans of Philadelphia have nominated District Attorney Weaver for Mayor. Having proved himself to be honest and capable in his present position, his nomination for Mayor meets with general approval and his election is a foregone conclusion.

THE defeated Carnegie library scheme, like a worse than hideous nightmare, still disturbs the sleep of sundry citizens of Norristown. Not satisfied with killing the project, deemed by many people to have been a most worthy one, they are looking about to wreak vengeance upon all who took occasion to show any respect to the corpse.

N. G. GONZALES, an editor of Columbia, S. C., is dead from a bullet fired from a pistol in the hand of Lieut. Governor Tillman of that State. The shooting occurred Friday and Gonzales died on Monday. The editor was shot down without warning in the most cowardly manner. It remains to be seen whether Tillman will be dealt with by law as he deserves to be.

THE Kansas City Journal remarks that unjust abuse of the rich has two very injurious consequences: "It excites popular discontent and tends to array the different classes of the nation against each other. And it tends to give young men an entirely wrong and extremely harmful notion of the way in which wealth generally is acquired. Being told daily that the great bulk of rich men are grand thieves and rascals, some of them naturally conclude that the only way a man can get rich is by being a thief or a rascal, and accordingly they begin to follow in what they believe to be the footsteps of successful financiers, but what they usually find is the path to bankruptcy or the penitentiary."

SAMUEL W. PENNYPACKER was on Tuesday inaugurated Governor of Pennsylvania, in the presence of the Senate and the House of Representatives and thousands of spectators, the ceremony taking place at a large stand at the west front of the Capitol. It is stated that the inaugural parade was the finest the State Capitol has ever seen. The new cabinet was not announced for the reason that unavoidable delay prevented the names from reaching the Senate before the adjournment of that body. The new Governor's inaugural address was in general characterized chiefly by its strength and originality. The address recommended a reform of the ballot laws, referred to the conflicts between capital and labor, to the growing disrespect for authority and the abuse of liberty of the press, and to the importance of caring for historic shrines.

A CORRESPONDENT scores the INDEPENDENT as follows:

EDITOR INDEPENDENT: Upon reading your editorial remarks last week with reference to the "next Governor," (now Governor Pennypacker) it struck me that you must be laboring under the popular hallucination that politicians as a lot are a bad set, that "good government" means a disappointment to them; that their leading aim is to promote vicious legislation, etc. It is just such statements that belittle the efforts of thousands of honest men in public life, men who have given their best years in faithfully serving the people—including those who are in the habit of maligning politicians and officeholders. I happen to be a Republican politician as well as an officeholder, and I wish you to clearly understand, Mr. Editor, that Governor Pennypacker's administration will not be and cannot be too good or too clean for me or for thousands of other Republican politicians and officeholders in this State. Of late years, to be a politician, is to be sneered at by Pharisees, by those who happen to have failed to get what they wanted in politics, and by newspaper editors who are too eager frequently to belittle and sometimes to indirectly besmirch the good names of the large army of citizens engaged in discharging their public duties with fidelity. Yours,

A REPUBLICAN POLITICIAN.

The editor of the INDEPENDENT, like other frail mortals, is at times not sufficiently succinct and explicit in his statements, and when he is "hailed over the coals" for his derelictions he must perforce accept the lash as gracefully as possible. A fact may be so stated in a general way that it will permit of a misapplication in a particularized instance. That was perhaps the fault with one of the statements in the editorial to which our rasping correspondent refers. The statement should have been put in something like this form: "Such Republican politicians as are inclined by nature and habit to be scoundrels; such disgruntled erstwhile Republican politicians who have failed in their ambitious quest for office and who can now see no good in and expect to see no good come from organization Republicans, a lot of anti-Quayites, and some Democrats, are going to be disappointed in Governor Pennypacker's administration." See? That's about what we thought, and we didn't imagine at the time that true blue politicians and officeholders would take offense at the statement made a week ago. Come to analyze the subject, however, it is not much wonder that decent, self-respecting, and honest politicians and officeholders are disposed to be sensitive along the line indicated by our correspondent, and so far as our recent remarks can be construed to cast a reflection upon good men in public life we can only say that such construction was not so anticipated, much less was it so intended. Our correspondent must know that the INDEPENDENT, as a rule, does its best in trying to adhere to the maxims "fair-play" and "justice to all" in its treatment of public men and public affairs.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 15, 1903. —The President has taken a positive stand in regard to anti-trust legislation and has informed the leaders of both houses of Congress that unless adequate trust legislation is enacted at the present session he will call the Fifty-eighth Congress in special session for the consideration of that subject immediately after the 4th of March. The firm stand taken by the President has produced a marked effect on members of Congress and especially is this true of the Senate. Several members of the upper house, who earlier in the session confidently formed your correspondent that there would be no anti-trust legislation by this Congress, have experienced a change of belief and have within the past few days stated that they regard some anti-trust measure as probable.

In the House, the most active preparations are being made for the passage of a comprehensive anti-trust bill. Such will be reported to the House to-morrow, and some of the more sanguine members say it will be passed before the close of this week. While this estimate appears to be over sanguine, it is regarded as certain that an anti-trust bill drawn in accordance with the recommendations of Attorney General Knox will be sent up to the Senate not later than the 21st. This, it is believed, will allow the Senate ample time for consideration and debate and will so save the necessity of an extra session.

With a view to facilitating matters, the Senate committee on Judiciary has appointed a sub-committee to bring in an anti-trust bill. The committee is composed of Senators Hoar, Fairbanks, Nelson, Pettus and Turner. Senator Hoar told your correspondent yesterday that his sub-committee would wait a reasonable time before commencing its deliberations in order to give the House time to pass its measure. That will, in the opinion of the Senator, probably be taken at least as a basis for the Senate measure and every effort will be put forth to make it at once so simple and so efficient as to require but brief consideration and debate on the floor of the Senate.

The Cuban treaty will be favorably reported by the committee on Foreign Relations to-day. It has been amended to provide that there shall be no further change in the duty on sugar, beyond the 20 per cent. differential allowed Cuba. This change was made at the behest of the beet sugar producers who insisted that such guarantee was essential to the enlistment of the capital in beet sugar production and its consequent development along the promising lines predicted by the friends of the industry. A careful canvass of the Senate reveals the fact that with the possible exception of the two Senators from California, and Senators Dietrich and Simon, there will be no republican votes against ratification and it is doubtful if more than nine negative votes will be cast by the democrats.

The coal situation has occupied a large portion of the time of Congress during the past week. Numerous bills removing the tariff on anthracite coal have been offered and a sharp running debate has taken place every day during the morning hour in the Senate. The problem has been definitely settled for this session by a House bill which provides that the duties collected on all coal shall be rebated to the importers during a period of one year and that anthracite coal shall be placed on the free list. This measure passed the House and having received the approval of Senator Aldrich, chairman of the Finance Committee, was rushed through the Senate yesterday. It will be signed by the President without doubt.

Two investigations of the coal scarcity are now being conducted by congressional committees. The Senate Committee on the District of Columbia is conducting an investigation with a view to ascertaining the truth, or the reverse, of the allegations that there is a conspiracy among the coal operators and dealers to make exorbitant profits out of the present situation. The House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce is investigating the charges that rebates are allowed by the coal carrying roads and such other abuses as may operate to the disadvantage of the consumer.

The Statehood bill still continues to occupy its place on the Senate calendar and its future is difficult to determine. Senator Quay asserts his ability to secure the passage of the measure when it comes to a vote and the opposition is equally confident. Senator Nelson has addressed the Senate in opposition to the Omnibus bill every afternoon for five days, only concluding his long argument yesterday. That the opposition to the Statehood bill has any intention of passing its measure admitting Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one State is nowhere believed, the bill having been introduced merely for obstruction purposes.

The lack of interest taken in the Panama canal is one of the remarkable features of the session. The urgent advocacy of the two routes last session by the advocates of each was in marked contrast to the indifference displayed now. Several Senators seen recently, among them the most earnest adherents to one route or the other, a year ago, displayed no interest and contented themselves with saying that the matter was in the hands of the Secretary of State and Congress could

do nothing until he had negotiated his treaty. Mr. Hay reports all negotiations at a standstill. He has made to Colombia as liberal an offer as he believes is warranted under the circumstances and is calmly waiting for the authorities at Bogota to appreciate that no further concessions are to be obtained and to accept the generous offer which has already been made.

## ONLY 70 BELOW ZERO.

THIS IS THE LIMIT AT FORTY MILE, ALASKA.

For those seeking a climate where there is not so much reason for re-peating as in the one we suffer under, Forty-mile, Alaska, might be recommended, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. We see a statement made by an enthusiast just returned from there that, no matter what the stories and false reports sent out may have been, the mercury never, under any circumstances, falls lower than 70 degrees below zero. In common with all new countries, this district of Alaska has to undergo a campaign of misrepresentation before its true character is known, but now that the facts are made public, there is no occasion for believing these stories. The returned gold hunter has taken a little run down into the continent seeking a winter resort at which he may wear out some of his summer clothes. Medicine Hat suits him pretty well. There balmy day after day succeeds each other, with the thermometer marking as high as 12 to 14 degrees below zero. At Medicine Hat it is so warm that sleeping bags are not used at all, and there is never a night from August to June that you cannot sleep comfortably under four bed quilts, five blankets, and a wool mattress; and no matter what the temperature, there is always a cooling breeze that makes life in a steam-heated room agreeable and pleasant. At Forty-mile, of course, they have their winters, as might be expected, but with a record of three years in which the mercury has never gone beneath 70 below zero, it is pretty safe to say that is the limit. In fact, everybody that goes there says that place is the limit.

## CLUB WOMAN'S VIEWS OF WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

"I believe in the extension of the suffrage to women for the following reasons:

First, It would ensure a higher morality in government, not because women are naturally better than men, but because the domestic virtues, temperance, chastity, general orderliness of life, are more essential to the happiness of women than of men.

Second, Because no one class, however well intentioned, can be trusted to comprehend the interests of another class.

Third, Because if a voice in the making and administering of the laws by which they are governed is the right of all members of a family who happen to be born males, it must be the right of all those members who happen to be born females."—Eliza S. Turner, President and Founder Working-Women's Guild, Phila. Pa.

Miss Myra Loyd Dock, a well known lecturer for Clubs of women, and a member of our State Forestry Commission, says: "Heartily and earnestly, more and more, I believe in the principle that there should be no taxation without representation. I do not look upon the right of suffrage as a cure-all, for personally I should like to see the unworthy and intentionally base, deprived of it. I often wonder that clergymen and others should adjure women's Auxiliaries to continue their noble work; to assert that hospitals and other measures for better things, depend so much on the Women's Board; and yet in the one respect of expressing ourselves by ballot, we are considered unfit."

## TRAVELED ON ICE CAKE

BOY HAD BEEN IN A BOAT, BUT IT WAS CAPSIZED

The feat of the immortal Eliza, of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," says the Kansas City Journal, was duplicated in the Missouri river the other afternoon. John Owens, a 14 year old boy, who lives at Pomeroy, twelve miles north of Kansas City, Kan., was rowing among floating ice in the Missouri river. He lost control of his boat, and finally found himself wedged in the big cakes of ice. The boat capsized, and to save himself from drowning Owens got on a big cake of ice. The cake got dislodged and floated down stream with Owens upon it. The boy floated for several miles, and at Quindaro was seen by a gang of section men, who, however, were unable to lend him assistance.

The police at Kansas City, Kan., were notified, and the patrol wagon was sent to the foot of Minnesota avenue to await the arrival of the boy. He was finally sighted in the middle of the Missouri river. Immense cakes of ice had wedged the one on which he rested, and he was within a few feet of a sandbar in the middle of the river. The boy was still on the ice, and while he was not in imminent peril, the police realized that he must be rescued, else he would probably freeze to death.

Patrolman McElroy secured a rowboat from a fisherman and went to the boy's assistance. The officer had a hard battle with the ice cakes, but he finally reached the sandbar and rescued the boy. It was a perilous journey that the policeman and the boy had in the

return to the Kansas bank of the Missouri, but the boat finally landed. A great crowd witnessed the rescue, and when the boy was finally landed on terra firma a shout went up, and three cheers were proposed for Patrolman McElroy. Owens was not at all wet, but he was so chilled that he could hardly speak. He was taken to No. 1 station, and after being thawed out was sent to Pomeroy. The boy says he will not do any more rowing in the Missouri river this winter.

## A BRILLIANT PREACHER'S WIT.

Of all the brilliant preachers of modern times no one shone more resplendently in conversation than the eloquent Baptist minister, Robert Hall, says the Saturday Evening Post. It is remarkable that, while in his writings hardly a gleam of wit or humor is to be found, yet in the social circle he was distinguished by his terse and pungent sayings. All his life he was a martyr to an excruciating disease, and his wittiest sayings were uttered when he was writhing with sharp pain. A lady at a friend's house found him so lost in thought that she vainly essayed to enliven him in conversation. At length impatient of his reveries, she said dippantly, in allusion to a Miss Steel to whom he was engaged to be married:

"Ah, sir, if we had but polished steel here, we might secure some of your attention; but—"

"Madam," interrupted the now roused preacher, "make yourself quite easy; if you are not polished steel, you are at least polished brass!"

Hall had an intense abhorrence of religious cant, to which he gave expression sometimes in the most scorching terms. A young minister who was visiting him, spent a day in sighing, ever and anon begging pardon for his aspirations, and saying that they were caused by grief that he had so hard a heart. When the lamentations, which Hall had borne patiently the first day, were resumed at breakfast on the second, he said:

"Why, sir, don't be so cast down; remember the compensating principle, and be thankful and still."

"Compensating principle!" exclaimed the young man: "what can compensate for a hard heart?"

"Why, a soft head to be sure!" replied Hall, who, if rude, had certainly great provocation.

## MOVING A MAIN VILLAGE

The rather remarkable spectacle of a village being moved from one township to another, says the New York Tribune, is now being witnessed in the northwestern part of Franklin county, where the formerly flourishing village of Redington is being transported, a building at a time, to Madrid Station, in the town of Phillips. The people of Phillips voted a short time ago to exempt from taxation any manufacturing plant that the Berlin Mills Company might erect within the town limits, and as a result the Berlin company has purchased the mill of the Redington Lumber Company, a large plant, and is moving it to Phillips. As this mill was the only industry of Redington, the entire village is following it, house by house, and soon the new location at Madrid Station will be a busy place, while Redington will lapse into its original wilderness solitude.

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A Sketch of the New Rice Industry of Louisiana and Texas.

Flooding usually begins when the rice reaches a height varying between six and ten inches, and from this time on until the grain is in the milk and well formed, a period of about seventy days, the fields are kept flooded.

About ten days before harvest the levees are cut and the fields are drained. The grain rapidly ripens and matures, and by the time it is ready to cut the field is sufficiently dry to permit the use of the reaper and binder.

This machine is identical with that used in the grainfields elsewhere in the

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The products of this huller are rice bran, some flour and clean rice, consisting of entire grains called "straight head rice" and grains broken into various sizes. This cleaned rice is later through a polishing machine, which gives it a highly finished surface and pearly luster. The finished produce is then passed over screens and sorted into different grades, of which the broken or "straight head" rice forms the first grade and brewers' rice the last.

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